

The goal of this conference is to address issues that arise when agricultural and urban, suburban land uses come together and to identify funding resources.



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Sustaining Agriculture in Connecticut's Urban Environment

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AGENDA

Morning Session

What are the economics of land use, the big picture, and grower experiences dealing with local land use regulators. Also, a view of engineered systems that reduce spray drift.

Morning Moderator: Candace Bartholomew, UConn Extension System

8:00 – 8:15 a.m. Welcome, Dr. Nancy Bull, Associate Dean and Director, UConn Cooperative Extension System, and Robert Pellegrino Bureau Chief, Bureau of Agricultural Development & Resource Preservation, CT Department of Agriculture

8:15 – 9:00 Keynote Address: “Economics and Contemporary Land Use Policy: Development and Conservation at the Rural-Urban Fringe.” Dr. Robert Johnston, UCONN, Agriculture Resource Economics Dept.

9:00 – 9:45 “Regulations That Might Impact Your Farm, and How to Work With the Regulators”, Jim Gibbons, Extension Educator, UConn

9:45 – 10:00 Break

10:00 – 11:00 A Grower Panel: “Lessons Learned Dealing with Local Officials” John Bartok, UConn Ag. Engineer Emeritus and Zoning and Planning Board, Ashford, CT, Patrick O'Hara Grower, Monroe, John Hinman, Grower Canton, John Collins, Grower, Enfield.

11:00 – 12:00 “Solutions for Safer Spraying” Dr. Andrew Landers, Pesticide Application Technology Specialist, Cornell, Dept. of Agricultural and Biological Engineering and Pesticide Management Education Program.

Afternoon Session

Where can money be found to make farm improvements, how to write the proposal and plans required by grants. Also, a demonstration of spray patterns and various nozzles, which ones help reduce spray drift.

Afternoon Moderator: Joe Bonelli, Extension Educator, UConn

12:00 – 12:45 Lunch “Farm Link; What’s It All About?”, Jane Slupecki, CT Department of Agriculture

12:45 – 2:00 “Where’s the Money?” Panel Presentation and Discussion.

- Ross Eddy, Farm Service Agency, USDA
- Ronald Clark, Farm Service Agency, USDA
- Roy Jeffrey, “SARE”, Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education, UCONN
- Erin Sepe, First Pioneer Farm Credit
- Ronald Olsen, CT Department of Agriculture
- Nancy Ferlow, Natural Resources and Conservation Service
- David Tuttle, Rural Small Business Development Center

2:00 – 2:30 “How to Prepare a Grant Proposal” Sean McGuire, Small Business Development Center

2:30 – 3:30 “Drift Reduction Technology: Nozzle Selection and Spray Drift Demonstration”. Dr. Andrew Landers, Pesticide Application Technology Specialist, Cornell, Dept of Agricultural and Biological Engineering and Pesticide Management Education Program.

3:30 Adjourn and Pesticide Recertification Credits. (2)

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Pre-registration by Nov. 6th is \$50, At the Door \$60.00 and includes lunch and a resource guide.

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